

Polly A Rames

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Professional Summary

Licensed and accomplished occupational therapist well-versed in a broad range of programming, treatments, and modalities for restoring and mitigating disability.

Professional background initially began in a rehabilitation setting, transitioned into an acute care/home health setting, and currently treating in geriatric settings for 16 years.

Licenses

Registered and licensed Occupational Therapist in the state of SD/IA.

NBCOT certified.

Certified in Physical Agent Modalities.

Dementia Capable Care Specialist

Professional Experience

***President, Goodcare**

August 2017-current

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***Regional Vice president**

May 2014 to August 2017

Goodcare- Iowa/SD

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***Rehab Program Coordinator and MS OTR/L**

August 2005 to May 2014

Aegis Therapies- Sioux Falls, SD

Facilitated ADLs and assisted patients with functional mobility to increase comfort and quality of life. Directly supervised (5) therapists and managed Med A/Med B patients depending on varying caseload of 10-20 residents. Evaluated and assessed patients to establish measurable goals to promote restoration of functional abilities. Maintained up-to-date requirements regulated by Medicare in facility and assisted Southridge staff to understand the therapy requirements regulated by Medicare in their 100+ building.

***Staff MS OTR/L**

January 2002 to September 2009

Sanford Health- Sioux Falls, SD

Primary work based in acute care setting providing therapy to patients who had experienced trauma, orthopedic surgeries, general surgeries, and neurological injuries. Transitioned as needed to provide coverage in Rehab and Home Health settings.

Avera St Luke's Hospital- Aberdeen, SD

January 1998 to March 2002

Provided therapy primarily in Rehab setting, but transitioned between acute care, cardiac rehab, swing bed, long term care, and aquatic therapy.

Education and Training

University of South Dakota-Vermillion, SD

Master of Science: Occupational Therapy, 1997

Bachelor of Science: Psychology, 1995

PAM certified

Child & Dependent Adult Abuse for Mandatory Reporter- 4/14/16

Dementia Capable Care Specialist

Head/Hands/Heart Dementia Program

CPR certified

Community Service

*Current Group Coordinator 15 years for Mended Little Hearts of the Sioux Empire nonprofit organization.

*Kiwanis Club member 2012-2015

*Volunteer for American Heart Association Heartwalk program for 10 years.

*Served as Legislative committee chairman for SDOTA 2 years ('03-'05).